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request for transfer of two defectors [redacted] to the United States

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References:

1. Reference a is a report of the interrogation of Mr. and Mrs.

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[redacted] who recently defected from the USSR. The CIA Library distribution slip for reference a indicates that SO/C received a copy thereof, from which their backgrounds may be ascertained, as well as the kind of intelligence they have given on political and sociological matters.

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2. From references 1 and from a recent conference with the referenced Mr. Stevens, it is understood that there is unanimous agreement among interrogator personnel [redacted] that [redacted] have great 25X1C5b potentialities for long-range assistance to US intelligence agencies, especially to the Central Intelligence Agency.

3. This Office believes that these two individuals are qualified to give information in great detail concerning fundamental defects of the Soviet industrial system, particularly in its technical aspects. Technical specialists, fluent in the Russian language and able to interrogate them profitably for this purpose on their extensive range of technical specialities, are available only in this country.

4. This Office therefore requests that you initiate action, in accordance with the provisions of NSCIB #14, dated 3 March 1950, to transfer these two individuals from their present location [redacted] to the United States, for further exploitation along the lines indicated in paragraph 3 above. If they are located in this country at a spot reasonably close to Washington, this Office is prepared to provide interrogators from its own personnel to carry on the actual exploitation. 25X1A6a

5. Reference a indicates that these individuals are knowledgeable about certain scientific matters which may be of interest to OSI. The concurrence of OSI in this proposal is indicated below.

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6. Reference b indicates that [REDACTED] have offered to write a series of studies on a plan for United States propaganda to the USSR, which may be of interest to OPC. The concurrence of OPC in this proposal is indicated below.

7. It is further believed that other agencies outside CIA might be interested in their exploitation, specifically the offices responsible for the Voice of America in the Department of State, and for the selection of strategic bombing targets in the Department of the Air Force.

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Copy of reference b.

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